



## **Open Space Survey for Ashburnham Residents**

## Please fill out and drop off at Town Hall (Clerk's Office)

You can also take this survey online by going to <a href="https://www.ashburnham-ma.gov">www.ashburnham-ma.gov</a>

## **Ashburnham Open Space & Recreation Planning Survey**

Please help us understand how residents use our open spaces and recreation areas, and which spaces they value most. The results of this survey will be used in our renewed Open Space and Recreation Plan. Please return before Nov. 15.

1. Years living in Ashburnham? Please check one 5 yrs or less	11-20 yrs
6-10 yrs	20+ yrs
2. What is your age? Please check one.  Under 18 18-35 36-50	51-65 Over 65
3. Which recreational activities do you and your family/household regularly participate in?	
Check any that apply.	
<ul> <li>Playing at a playground</li> <li>Walking/ Dog walking</li> <li>Hiking/ Trail running</li> <li>Geocaching</li> <li>Wildlife viewing</li> <li>Photography</li> <li>Picnicking</li> <li>Swimming</li> <li>Hunting</li> <li>Paintball</li> <li>Fishing</li> <li>Jogging/Road running</li> <li>Road bicycling</li> <li>Mountain biking</li> <li>Canoe/Kayaking/Sailing</li> <li>Motor boating/ Jet skis</li> </ul> 4. Select up to 5 (five) CONSERVATION LANDS that are MC Select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the sun of the play of the select only your to the year year year	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Mount Watatic (Rt 119) Little Watatic Mountain (Harris Rd)	Lincoln Pond (Hastings/Stowell) Mount Hunger (Russell Hill/Kelton/Holt Rd)
Wapack Trail (North from 119) Midstate Trail (Rt 12 to 119)	Russell Hill Town Forest ( <i>Russell Hill/Stagecoach Rd</i> )
<ul> <li>Bush Hill Town Forest (Bush Hill Rd)</li> <li>Broadhurst Point (Off Ferin Rd)</li> <li>Paul Dunn Woodland Preserve (Dunn Rd)</li> </ul>	Jewel Hill (Trustees property on Crocker Rd) Rail Trail-Ashburnham (Willard to Williams) Rail Trail – Winchendon
<ul> <li>Bluefield Reservation Area (Young Rd)</li> <li>Kirby Protection Area (Wilker/Byfield Rd)</li> <li>Whitney Trail (East Rindge Rd)</li> </ul>	Lake Wampanoag area/Camp Collier (Gardner/Ashburnham)
Other Conservation land(s) not listed?:	
None (Conservation of natural areas is not a priority.)	

## Select only your top 5, at most \_\_ Agricultural Fields/Farms Ashburnham Center Historic District \_\_ Meeting House Hill/Town Pound \_\_ Frederick Piano Center (Main St) \_\_ Sweeney Playground (South Ash) (Cushing/Hastings St) \_\_ Ashburnham Rail Trail Powder House (Cushing St) \_\_ Briggs Elementary Playground/Fields \_\_ Ashburnham Historical Society (*Main St*) \_\_ Playground at Winchester Park (at Library) \_\_ Oakmont High Track/Athletic facilities \_\_ Winchester Park (Main St to Chapel St) \_\_ Landry Field (Williams St.) \_\_ Cambridge Grant Historic District (Russell Hill and \_\_ Bickford/Marden Fields (Puffer St) \_\_ Whitney Field (S. School St.) Wilker Rd) \_\_ Scenic Roadways \_\_ Or other resource(s) not listed?: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ None (i.e., Cultural and municipal resources are not priorities.) 6. Please help us establish the Town priorities. Rate the importance of investing Town resources into protecting, maintaining and acquiring each of the following: VERY **SOMEWHAT** NOT Agricultural Resources (Existing Farms, local food sources and arable soils) **Cultural and Historical Resources** Protected Natural Areas/Nature Reserves Playgrounds and recreation areas 7. Which specific open space and recreation resources should the town PRIORITIZE for FUTURE INVESTMENT, if any? Select only your top 5, at most \_\_ Walking/jogging trails Paved bike trails Community gardens \_\_ Outdoor exercise stations \_\_ Public swimming access (pond/lake) \_\_ ADA accessible open space resources \_\_ Public non-motorized boating access \_\_ Baseball/softball fields and facilities \_\_ Playgrounds and active recreation areas \_\_ Football/soccer fields \_\_ Protected natural areas, reserves and parks \_\_ Outdoor basketball courts \_\_ Public tennis/pickleball courts Picnic areas \_\_ Or other(s)? Please list here: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_ None of these.

5. Select up to 5 (five) CULTURAL and MUNICIPAL RESOURCES that are MOST IMPORTANT to you for recreation.

8. Other comments:

Thank you for sharing your thoughts and priorities with us! This important planning tool will help shape the future of the Town. Please return your completed form to the Town Hall at 32 Main Street, Ashburnham, MA. 01430